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Claims 1-64 are currently pending in the present Patent Application. The Examiner has rejected claims 11, 12, 28, 29, 42, 46-48, 52-54, and 59 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b), and has also rejected claims 13, 17-19, 21, 22, 24, 30, 34-36, 39, and 41 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a). Claims 1-10, 25-27, and 64 are allowed. Dependent claims 14-16, 20, 31-33, 37, 43-45, 49-51, 55-58, and 60-63 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 1-64 are also rejected under the judicially-created doctrine of double patenting over claims 1-58 of U.S. Patent No. 6,674,999.

In response, Applicant has traversed the foregoing rejections without amending any claims. Please reconsider the above-identified Patent Application in view of the Remarks contained below.